

Remarks

In the Office Action of April 20, 2004, claims 22-24 and 26-31 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s) at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Claim 22 was amended to change the limitation of an NSI "between about 50 and about 100" to an NSI of "at least 85." That limitation was considered to add new matter.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 32-34.

Applicants have amended claim 22 to be identical to allowed claims 32-33. Previously presented claim 26, is now identical to allowed claim 34. Claims 32-34 are now canceled.

It is Applicants belief that pending claims 22, 24 and 26-31 are allowable and early allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicants remind the Examiner of the associate power of attorney and change of address submitted to the USPTO on January 23, 2004. the submitted address is:

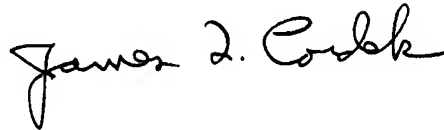
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In the event the Examiner finds minor issues within this case remain unresolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0421.

Respectfully submitted,
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